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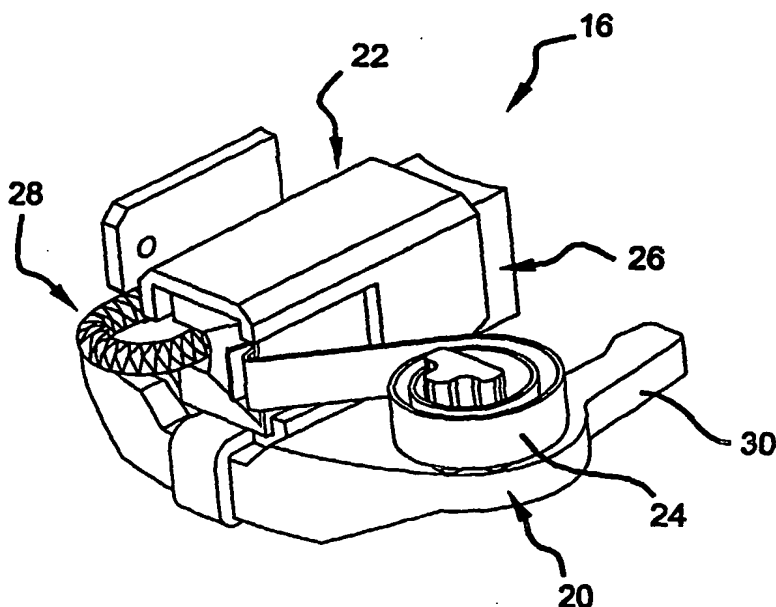
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(57) Abstract: A brush assembly has a base with a member to secure the base to a motor end cap assembly. A brush housing is associated with the base. The brush housing includes first and second open ends. A brush, defining an axis, is slidably supported within the housing. The brush extends from one of the first and second open ends. The brush includes a surface with a spring retention plunge. The spring retention plunge defines an arcuate face angled relative to the axis. A biasing member exerts a force directly on the arcuate face to bias the brush into contact with a commutator. An electrical connection is made between the commutator and a power supply.



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